

THE BIG CEILING SWINDLE.

CHAIRMAN AINSWORTH ROYALTY SCORDED IN THE ASSEMBLY.

A Resolution Passed to Suspend Superintendent Andrews, and Another in Effect Expressing Want of Confidence in the Appropriations Committee. Assemblymen Fish and Armstrong, and Chairman Ainsworth, a Vote of the Committee Shows That It is Divided Exactly as was Reported in The Sun.

ALBANY, Feb. 20.—Mr. Hamilton Fish, Jr., gave Mr. Ainsworth, Chairman of the Committee on Appropriations, another chance this morning before the session of the Assembly to conduct the investigation in a fair and proper way. Mr. Ainsworth refused. Mr. Fish then appealed to the Assembly, and the Assembly almost unanimously sustained him. After Mr. Ainsworth had made a long speech in defense of his position, which he made a bitter personal attack on Mr. Fish, Mr. Crosby, and the other reputable Assemblymen who are insisting on this investigation being conducted in some other way than as a whitewashing proceeding. In addition to the Assembly called to sustain Mr. Fish, his resolution was adopted by a vote of 100 to 10. The resolution suspended Superintendent Andrews was unanimously adopted. It was a bad day for the ceiling thieves and their associates.

At 10 o'clock in the morning the Appropriations Committee began its examination of Contractor Smith. The committee had before it a bill for \$100,000 profit out of his contract. If the men behind him allowed him to keep all the money himself, the examination of Mr. Smith began. Mr. Larmon moved that the committee make a full investigation. He said that he did not want the public to be misled by the things that Mr. Fish was asking for. Mr. Ainsworth said that he did not care for the newspapers; that he read what the newspapers said about him just as he read what they said about Harrison's Cabinet, and that any member of the Assembly might be asked about Harrison's Cabinet. Mr. Fish then asked whether Mr. Ainsworth would allow him to ask for the production of the books of the contractors and for the production of their original contract and receipts. Mr. Ainsworth said that he would not do that. "Do you rule out all these material questions," asked Mr. Fish. "I rule out the questions you ask. If you wish to appeal you can," answered Mr. Ainsworth.

Mr. Ainsworth, you are making a pitiable exhibition of yourself as Chairman," replied Mr. Fish.

Mr. Fish then asked Mr. Ainsworth why he did not call the witnesses to settle the story about the alleged bribery of Assemblyman Ma. Mr. Ainsworth said he didn't know. Mr. Fish then asked Mr. Ainsworth why he did not call the witnesses to settle the story about the alleged bribery of Assemblyman Ma. Mr. Ainsworth said he didn't know. Mr. Fish then asked Mr. Ainsworth why he did not call the witnesses to settle the story about the alleged bribery of Assemblyman Ma. Mr. Ainsworth said he didn't know.

PRINCE ERISTOFF IN A CELL.

HIS PRECIOUS FUR COAT AND MOST OF HIS CLOTHES IN PAWN.

The Prince had him arrested for Swindling. He had this Time the Charge Did Not Hold Water—He Has Not Filled His Pocket Here—A Queer Agreement.

Prince George Eristoff, of the Gouze, seized through steel-rimmed eyeglasses at a fine seal-skin overcoat folded on the desk in front of Justice John Smith, in the Yorkville Police Court, yesterday afternoon, and looked as if a night in a cell at Police Headquarters had thoroughly disagreed with him. There were two distinguished-looking persons in court looking at the fur coat. One was a tall, straight man of venerable aspect, who said that he was the fur broker, Lemmon of 476 Sixth avenue, and that if he could help it he was not going to be squeezed out of the \$185 for which the Prince had bought the overcoat. The other was a man of middle age, with a high forehead and a keen eye, who said that he was the fur broker, Lemmon of 476 Sixth avenue, and that if he could help it he was not going to be squeezed out of the \$185 for which the Prince had bought the overcoat.

The Prince had been arrested on a warrant issued by Justice Kilbourn on the complaint of Mr. Rockwell, who declared that he had been swindled by the Prince. The Prince had been arrested on a warrant issued by Justice Kilbourn on the complaint of Mr. Rockwell, who declared that he had been swindled by the Prince. The Prince had been arrested on a warrant issued by Justice Kilbourn on the complaint of Mr. Rockwell, who declared that he had been swindled by the Prince.

GIRLS FLEE FROM A SCHOOL.

THEY THINK THE PRINCIPAL USED INDECENT LANGUAGE.

All the Mothers Draw Up a Formal Statement of Their Case. Get Their Pictures Taken, and Leave—The Principal's Story.

BORDETOWN, Feb. 20.—The principal of the Bordetown Female College is the Rev. W. C. Bowen. The school stands on the high bank of the Delaware, and commands a view of the river for miles. It has always enjoyed an excellent reputation. Lately, however, language objectionable to some of the pupils was used at a recitation of the senior class. The subject under discussion was the state of morals in England during the seventeenth century as compared with that of the present day. The pupils were reading at the time from Welsh's "English Literature." One of the pupils asked Prof. Bowen whether the morals of that age were worse than those of today. In answering that question the girls, said Prof. Bowen, gave a number of facts relative to the immorality of the times which the question did not call for.

He referred also to the danger of dancing in full dress with men. He thought girls should not accept bouquets or a glass of punch from gentlemen. The bouquets might be poisoned, and the punch might be drugged. He also said that if a young girl who loved a man enough to marry him would very often yield to him more than she ought. These and other remarks of a like character are alleged to have been used, and they so angered the girls, it is asserted, that they went at once to Mrs. Bowen, the principal's wife, and demanded a new teacher, saying they would leave the school unless the demand were complied with. This request was also made to Prof. Bowen, but he refused to grant it. He said that he would do so if the girls would acknowledge that he was in error.

The pupils then prepared a statement of their grievances, and announced that they would inform their parents of what had occurred. This was done, and the girls then left the school. The principal's story is that the girls were in the school when he was there, and that he was not there when they left.

PIGGOTT PROVED A RASCAL.

HIS ATTEMPT TO FORCE PATRICK KAGAN TO BUY HIS SILENCE.

Threatening to Print a Document Damaging to the National League Unless He Paid to Suppress It—Kagan Declines to Write Him—Piggott Calls Himself a Bad and Unscrupulous Man—Remarkable Letters in Which He Praises His Real Character—He is Put on the Stand in the Farrell Case—Houston's Childlike Confidence in the Honesty of Piggott, Who Supplied the Forged Letters—Norry Flight of the London Times—A Day of Sensations.

LONDON, Feb. 20.—When Houston referred the witness box this morning, he did not look like a man who had spent the night just, but he made a brave effort to pull himself together when the formidable Russell rose to resume the cross-examination. Sir Charles Russell, like everybody else, was naturally anxious to ascertain the names of the gentlemen, confiding, personal friends who, according to the witness, were in the room when Piggott was in the room. Piggott's name was not mentioned, as we must reach Paris by March. Accordingly we will only pay in Florence and Nice and, if possible, Lyons.

Our English agent telegraphs us that he has arranged games for us in the Crystal Palace in London, in Bristol, Nottingham, Sheffield, Manchester, Liverpool, Bradford, Leeds, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Dublin, and Belfast, filling all dates to March 27, when we sail for New York.

THE HARTFORD HOTEL DISASTER.

The Body of Night Clerk Perry Recovered—The Injured Doing Well.

HARTFORD, Feb. 20.—The work of excavating at the Park Central Hotel ruins has been continued since yesterday morning, and effectively to the rescue of the bodies of the victims of the disaster. The streets on both sides of the ruins are crowded, and a force of special police keep the people from interfering with the work. No bodies were found beyond those already reported until about 10 o'clock this morning, when one was discovered. It was the body of a man named Night Clerk Perry. Many think that no more bodies will be found, as no other persons are reported to be missing. Others, however, expect to find more, as the hotel was a large one, and many were in it at the time of the disaster.

The funeral of Dwight H. Bell was held this morning at 10 o'clock at St. Paul's Church. The remains were taken to Watertown, Conn. Mr. Bell was a prominent citizen of Hartford, and was well known in the city. He was a member of the Hartford Club, and was a member of the Hartford Club. He was a member of the Hartford Club, and was a member of the Hartford Club.

A FAMILY SPLIT FROM DEATH.

Herman Stout Luckily Awakened by a Nightmare Dream.

Herman Stout, 11 years old, a son of John Stout, of 200 Broadway, New York, was found dead in his bed last night. The boy was found by his father, who was awakened by a nightmare dream. The boy was found dead in his bed last night. The boy was found by his father, who was awakened by a nightmare dream. The boy was found dead in his bed last night. The boy was found by his father, who was awakened by a nightmare dream.

TWO BURGULARS AND A JIMMY.

They Break Into Five Places in Jersey City—Stole \$400 in Money and Merchandise.

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THE WEST VIRGINIA DEADLOCK.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Feb. 20.—Two ballots were taken today for United States Senator, Gov. and the full Republican vote. The Democrats, however, are hopelessly out of the race.

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 20.—An overhauled stove in the dry goods and notions store of John H. 915 South Second street, caused a fire to-night which resulted in the loss of two lives, although the monetary loss is almost insignificant. In the second story of the building in which Horn's store was located lived a man named John H. 915 South Second street, caused a fire to-night which resulted in the loss of two lives, although the monetary loss is almost insignificant. In the second story of the building in which Horn's store was located lived a man named John H. 915 South Second street, caused a fire to-night which resulted in the loss of two lives, although the monetary loss is almost insignificant.